

there were no governments there, then the only thing I wanted to see was a government established, and wanted to see it done quickly. I did not intend to say how it should be done, or in what form. I confined my suggestions entirely to peace.

Mr. Hildreth.—
In expressing the opinion that something should be done, and done quickly, did you make a suggestion of what ought to be done?

No, sir. I will state here that, before Mr. Lincoln's assassination, the question about issuing a proclamation of some sort, and establishing some sort of civil government, was up, and what was done was, was done after Mr. Johnson came into office.

Q. Did you give your opinion on that after it was done?

Mr. Lee.—I think, (saying) when a proclamation that had been prepared was read. After his assassination it continued right along, and I was there with Mr. Johnson.

Q. Did you give President Johnson your opinion on the question of amnesty, which you say was up before Mr. Lincoln's death, and was continued afterward?

A. I say I have given my opinion on particular instances of it.

Tell us what conversation you had with the President on the subject, as far as you recollect.

A. I have said once or twice as far as I can recollect that I disagreed with the plan of establishing provisional governments there, that was a question which I knew nothing about, and which I do not recollect having expressed an opinion on.

The only opinion I recollect having expressed on the subject at all, was to the Secretary of War. I thought there would some difficulty in getting the people down there to accept offices, but I believe they were ready enough to take them.

By the Chairman—

Q. If I understand you correctly, the only opinion you expressed, and the only one you recollect, was in reference to the military side of the question, and not in reference to the civil side?

A. Nothing than that I was anxious that something should be done to restore some sort of government.

Q. But you gave no advice as to what should be done?

A. Mr. Eldridge—Sister the conversation goes on that subject.

A. I have had repeated conversations with the President, but I can't specify what those conversations were any more than I have already done.

Q. You recollect recommending a certain General of the Confederate army to the President for pardon who fell within the exemption?

Yes, sir. I recommended General Longstreet, I think, a year and a half ago, and although I can't recall the name of anybody else, I think I recommended several others.

Q. Do you recollect recommending J. F. Lane, a graduate of West Point?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. What did he take in the rebellion?

A. He was a Brigadier-General.

Q. What was his rank in the army?

A. He was a captain of mine.

Q. Do you recollect recommending the general of G. Stuarts?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. What part did he take in the Confederate?

A. He was a gentleman, and took no very conspicuous part.

Q. Was he a graduate of West Point?

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Q. Was there any special circumstance in his case which you considered?

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Special Dispatch to the Louisville Journal.

MEMPHIS, Nov. 25.
There has been heavy rains for the past two days, and the weather is now clear and mild, but tending to cold. Business is dull at the landing, and the movement of cotton light since the late decline. The river and all its tributaries are falling, and the condition about the same as last reported, 6 feet to Cairo, and 44 feet to St. Louis.

Down—Adam Jacobs.

Up—Abraham, Adam Jacobs.

The Edinburgh arrived from New Orleans, and will leave for Cincinnati tomorrow. The Dora is aground at Haven Lake, a little out of the channel. The Mole Hambleton picked up a snag in the St. Francis river, and damaged her hull slightly. She also collided with the St. Patrick at Concourse during a fog which broke down her starboard gallows frame, and damaged the wheel. The St. Patrick was only slightly damaged.

J. M. M. a well known merchant was shot down to-day while in a dispute about a warehouse with a detective named Anderson.

NINTH CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.

Mr. Morgan offered a resolution, which passed unanimously, from the provisions of the second and third March articles neutrally imported on the 3d, 4th, and 5th of March, and authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to refund over paid duties.

Mr. Morgan offered resolutions that all monies received by any officer or employee of the Government, or any department thereof, from sales of captured or abandoned property in the line of instruction, were to be immediately paid into the Treasury, together with any interest which has been received thereon. Land over and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Sumner offered a resolution granting to the United States, the sum of \$100,000 to-morrow evening to New Orleans, which was opposed by Mr. Trumbull and others as establishing a bad precedent, and rejected by a vote of 10 against 27.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Sumner and adopted, requiring the Committee to communicate any official information in his possession in regard to the relations of the United States Government with North Germany.

Mr. M. of Maine offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Military Affairs to inquire into the expediency of immediate reduction in the military forces of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, a resolution was introduced, asking Congress to grant a special fund to the Committee on Militia Affairs.

The Senate then adjourned.

HOUSES.

The galleries were crowded. The proceedings opened with prayer by Rev. Newman Hall.

Mr. Ingalls introduced a bill to prohibit the further reduction of currency. Referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

The Speaker presented the credentials of J. S. Gallopy, Representative from the Third District of Kentucky in place of Hines, deceased.

Mr. Ingalls, Chairman of the Committee on Elections, stated that there was pending before that committee the application of Mr. Blodget, who claimed his seat against Mr. Hines, that claim were allowed that there would be no election, and that no canvass or any necessity for a new election, therefore, he moved that the credentials of Gallopy be referred to the Committee on Elections, and in the meantime, he be not admitted to the House. Considerable debate on the motion was agreed to.

The Speaker announced the committees of the Forty-first Congress, as follows:

On Elections—Dawes, Schofield, Upson, Shambaugh, McClurg, Cook, Chandler, and Keeler.

Ways and Means—Schenck and Morehead.

Banking and Currency—Pomeroy, Hopper, Lyman, Lynch, Hubbard, of Western Virginia, Jud, Coburn, Randall, and Barnes.

Post-Roads—Price, Higby, Daniels, Clark, of Kansas, Mullany, Allison, Griswold, Logan, Maynard, Brooks, and Nichols.

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Public Lands—Julian, Driggs, Gossamer, Donnelly, Kelsley, Anderson, D. W. Whaley, and Taylor.

Post-Roads—Post Roads—Farmers' W. Illinois, T. R. Lawrence, G. R. Lawrence, R. W. Clark, Lincoln, Hill, Fox, Johnson.

Interest of Columbia—Legg, R. H. Williams, Woods, Wm. Williams, Halsey, Van Horn, of New York.

Judiciary—Wilson, of Iowa, Bontell, Wood, Williams, Churchill, Marshall, Eldridge.

Revenue—James, Ward, of New York, Stevens, of N. H., Munro, Trowbridge, Lawrence, of Ohio, Pabdy, T. W., P. W. Smith, Ellsworth, and A. C. Parker.

Public Health—Anderson, of N. Y., Broomall, Hubbard, of Iowa, Plants, Brown, Coburn, Peters, Tabor, Geat, Private Land Claims, Cook, Longbridge, Wood, Wm. Williams, Trimble, Bailey, Weston, Hawley, Stone, and Hubbard, of Connecticut.

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